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- Construction of a factory for the production of aircraft parts was
 underway as of early April 1955 in Lommatzsch, near Meissen. The facunderway as of early April 1955 in Lommatzsch, near Meissen. The factory is being built on the sites of the former Menzel's Erben entertory is being built on the sites of the former Menzel's Erben enterprise, which formerly produced agricultural machines, and of VEB IFA KFZ
 repair factory (formerly Jaennichen) in Lommatzsch.
- Erich Elsner, SED member, manager of VEB Kabelwerk Meissen, was appointed manager of the new Lommatzsch.factory. He is to be released from his Meissen functions for this purpose.
- 3. In late March and early April 1955, repair work was started on buildings of the two Lommatzsch enterprises mentioned above, and a number of new machines were installed in them. The new factory is scheduled to have 3,000 employees initially; the number is to be increased later.
- 4. According to government orders, the new Lommatzsch enterprise is to receive steel deliveres from VEB Stahl- und Walzwerk Riesa.
- 5. The new Lommatzsch factory is to be placed under the jurisdiction of the former HV 18, now called Main Administration for Industrial Requirements, in Pirna-Sonnenstein.
- 6. On 1 May 1955, Erich Elsner took over the direction of the new factory in Lommatzsch, The factory received the following name: Zentrales Reparaturwerk fuer Traktoren und Spezialfahrzeuge (Central Repair Shop for Tractors and Special Vehicles). Elsner was replaced by Rudolf Braeuer (SED) as manager of VEB Kabelwerk Meissen.
- 7. In early May 1955 industrial enterprises in the Meissen region received government instructions to the effect that they were to transfer a number of heavy machines, such as large lathes and radial boring machines, to the new enterprise in Lommatzsch.

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